



## Bishop's Column

In this month's *Voice* there are many important articles, but I would just like to draw your attention to two in particular.

Our Diocesan Justice and Peace Organisation, in the light of Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter *Laudato Si' – On The Care Of Our Common Home*, are putting before us an Environment Policy. What are the aspirations of this policy? Very simply put there are five objectives:

- To encourage us all to see God our creator at work in our world, and ourselves as part of that work and include the gift of creation in prayers and liturgy wherever possible.
- To create a change of mind-set which will lead to changes in lifestyle – some of which may be only minor but still effective.
- To provide practical and tangible steps that individuals and parishes can take to promote that lifestyle which respects others and God's creation and to believe that what we do WILL make a difference.
- To enable schools and young people – usually the most enthusiastic concerning the environment – to become creative partners in this work
- To encourage the sharing of ideas within the diocese as to "what works" within individual parishes, via articles in the *Voice* etc.

Please read the article in this month's *Voice* for more information and inspiration.

Secondly, I draw your attention to the article on "*Share The Journey*". There are so many people who have been displaced, forced into exile, terrorised into becoming refugees and asylum seekers. One of the terrible facts quoted in the article is that every minute 20 people are forced to become displaced persons, and that half of the world's refugees are children. Again, Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, right from the beginning of his ministry has urged us not to ignore the plight of our brothers and sisters who find themselves in such situations. *We need to share the journey with them.*

In order to help us to be in solidarity with these brothers and sisters, CAFOD is organising a walk. Parishes, communities and schools throughout our countries can join in this walk. In this way, and with the help of CAFOD, world leaders will be shown how strongly we, the people of this country, feel about the plight of our displaced brothers and sisters. The world leaders are meeting in September to discuss and, hopefully, agree a policy on refugees and migration.

Again, please read the article contained in this edition of the *Voice* and refer to the links for help and materials. Pope Francis reminds us: "*Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age.*"

Yours in blessed hope,

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# Pray With Pope Francis In Panama

**Young people are being offered the opportunity of a lifetime by joining Pope Francis and a party from our diocese heading to World Youth Day 2019 in Panama.**

Bishop Terry and Monsignor Gerard Robinson will lead the group attending the six-day event in the Central American state.

The gathering takes place from January 22 to 27, culminating with an evening vigil with the Holy Father on the Saturday evening and Mass on the Sunday morning.

There will also be catechetical sessions, prayer and reconciliation services and shows and music.

A limited number of places are available and the costs will be substantially subsidised.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for young people in our diocese to be part of a very special gathering and to share a unique experience with other young Catholics from all over the world," said Monsignor Robinson.

"We're privileged to have Pope Francis leading what promises to be a deeply spiritual week that none of those attending will ever forget.

"We'd especially like to hear from young people who have never had the chance to attend this kind of event before.

"We're fortunate to be in a position to be able to provide funding to make the trip affordable and we're keen that nobody should be excluded for financial reasons.

"If you would like to be part of WYD 2019, I'd urge you to let us know as possible as we are only able to take a small group with us."



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## Easter Schedule 2018

### Holy Week, St Mary's Cathedral

Palm Sunday 25 March	4.00 pm	Saturday Vigil/Blessing of Palms (The Lady Chapel, Mount Grace)
	6.30 pm	Saturday Vigil/Blessing of Palms
	10.00 am	Mass/Blessing of Palms
Monday 26 March	5.00 pm	Mass
	6.30 pm	Mass
Tuesday 27 March	12 noon	Chrism Mass
	6.00 pm	Children's Last Supper Service
Wednesday 28 March	9.15 am	Mass
	7.00 pm	Deanery Reconciliation Service
Holy Thursday	7.00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
	Watching until 10 pm ending with Night Prayer	
Good Friday	10.00 am	Morning Prayer and Office of Readings
	10.00 am	Stations of the Cross (Mount Grace - Meet at the bottom of the hill)
	3.00 pm	Solemn Passion
Easter Saturday	10.00 am	Morning Prayer and Office of Readings
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# Young People Called To Join Pope At WYD

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Those attending must have turned 17 by September 1 2018.

The theme of WYD 2019 is the words spoken by Mary in Luke 1:38, "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

WYD was inaugurated by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1985 and around three million people attended the last event, in Krakow in 2016.

If you might be interested in taking part, please call bishop's secretary Sarah Holmes on 01642 850505 or email [bishopsecretary@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk](mailto:bishopsecretary@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk).

You will then be invited to attend a meeting at St Mary's Cathedral to discuss further plans.

Warning: Work Youth Day has changed people's lives and could change yours!

*Official Prayer for WYD Panamá 2019*

*Merciful Father,*

*You call us to live our lives as a way of salvation. Help us to recall the past with gratitude, to embrace the present with*



*courage and to build the future with hope. Lord Jesus, our friend and brother, thank you for looking upon us with love. Let us listen to your voice as it resonates in the hearts of each one with the strength and light of the Holy Spirit.*

*Grant us the grace of being a Church that goes forth with vibrant faith and a youthful face to communicate the joy of the Gospel. May we help to build up the kind of society we long for, one where there is fairness and fellowship.*

*We pray for the pope and the bishops; for young people; for all those who will take part in World Youth Day in Panama and for those who are preparing to welcome them.*

*Our Lady of Antigua, Patroness of Panama, help us to pray and live with generosity like yours: "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38).*

*Amen*



Some of the 800,000 people at the opening Mass for World Youth Day 2016 in Krakow

## Become A Friend Of The Lady Chapel

**People of faith in our diocese and beyond are being invited to play a part in helping to preserve and promote the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace at Osmotherley.**

New members are being sought for the Friends of the Lady Chapel, which was launched by Bishop Terry in 2016.

As well as raising money for maintenance and development, the organisation also aims to increase interest in the Marian shrine within the local community and further afield.

Now the steering group, which meets every six months, are hoping to build on an encouraging start by holding a fresh recruitment drive to help ensure future generations can continue to enjoy the rich spiritual benefits the Lady Chapel offers.

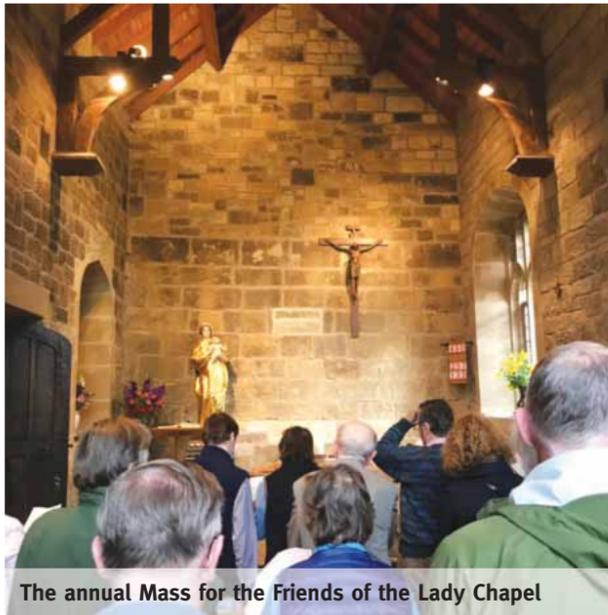
"All the money we raise goes into a separate account completely dedicated to the Lady Chapel and helps pay for promoting and maintaining the shrine," said Peter Scrope, whose family was involved in the redevelopment of the Lady Chapel.

"The chapel itself is in good order but the roof of the second chapel at the back and the adjoining cottage is starting to leak."

The shrine is of national religious and architectural significance, with a licence for Mass to be celebrated in the Lady Chapel having been granted as long ago as 1397.

"Although the Lady Chapel resonates most with those who live in the Diocese of Middlesbrough and those around it, we also have members from all over the country and even overseas," said Mr Scrope.

"People from neighbouring dioceses often come, especially from the Diocese of Leeds, because Bishop Gordon Wheeler had a close affinity with the Lady Chapel and when he went from Middlesbrough to Leeds he took that with him. We'd love them to join as well as people from the local area.



The annual Mass for the Friends of the Lady Chapel

"Schools and organisations can also join. Many schools make an annual visit and there's a retreat here most weeks. As well as Catholic schools there are also Anglican ones and we've also had a Muslim group because the tradition of honouring Mary exists across several faiths."

The chapel, which was probably built after Mount Grace Priory, the ruined Carthusian monastery nearby, has a fascinating history.

"The chapel was never really lost but it was rediscovered during the war," said Mr Scrope. "Maurice Bell, the brother of adventurer Gertrude Bell, owned the land and when he died in 1944 it was left to his nephew, Sir Hugh Bell.

"My parents, Ralph and Lady Beatrice Scrope, and Lord and Lady Eldon, the current Lord Eldon's grandparents, managed to buy Chapel Farm, which included the Lady Chapel and later they sold off the farm but retained the Lady Chapel.

"They renovated the chapel, building up the walls using stone from a cottage in Rosedale that had itself been built out of stone from Rosedale Abbey, and it was then donated to the diocese."

During the renovation, workers uncovered bones that were initially thought to be those of St Margaret Clitherow, but it's since been proved that they probably weren't.

In 1958 the Lady Chapel was scheduled as a national monument and the Knights of St Columba and the Legion of Mary organised the first diocesan pilgrimage on the Feast of the Assumption, which has continued ever since.

On September 8 1961, the Feast of Our Lady's birthday, Cardinal William Godfrey celebrated Mass and rededicated the chapel in the presence of Bishop of Middlesbrough George Brunner, Ralph and Lady Beatrice Scrope and Lord and Lady Eldon.

The shrine is now serviced from St Mary's Cathedral in Middlesbrough and the 4pm Saturday afternoon Mass is the first one celebrated in the diocese each weekend.

Friends of the Lady Chapel members are united in the spirituality of the Lady Chapel through an annual Mass and daily prayers and also receive newsletters and invitations to events. A suggested membership donation is £10 a year for an individual or a family group.

Father Anthony Storey's beautiful booklet describing the history of the Lady Chapel has been updated by Father Neil McNicholas and is available from the Curial Office, St Mary's Cathedral or the Lady Chapel itself, priced £1.

Visit [ladychapel.org.uk](http://ladychapel.org.uk) to find out more about the Lady Chapel and keep up to date with events.

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## Congratulations Dan!

**Dan Woodgate, a long-serving member of the finance team at the Curial Offices, is pictured on his graduation day in Leicester after being awarded a Professional Diploma in Management. The honour followed a two-year distance-learning course sponsored by the diocese.**

"My first child, Xavier, had just been born and I felt it was the right time in my life to further my studies," said Dan. "As I began the second year I was thrilled to celebrate the birth of my second child, Martha.

"Two months later my dad passed away after a short illness. With him very much in my mind I was able to continue my studies, dedicating my final assignment to him and gaining the diploma with merit. The graduation was an amazing experience I was able to proudly share with several members of my family."

Congratulations to Dan from everyone at the Curia!

# New Bus Will Provide Vital Lifeline In Ghana

**An appeal has been launched to help buy a new bus so that Middlesbrough-born Sister Pat Pearson and her colleagues can continue providing vital services to vulnerable communities in Ghana.**

In January, Monsignor Gerard Robinson visited the Padre Pio Rehabilitation Centre at Ahotokurom, which means “place of serenity”, and was deeply impressed by the work being carried out there.

Now he is asking St Mary’s Cathedral parishioners and others in the diocese to raise the £50,000 the community of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph need to replace their ageing vehicle.

The centre, located near Cape Coast, was established in the early 1980s as a partnership between the DMJ sisters, the Franciscan order and local people, to rehabilitate and reintegrate former leprosy and Buruli ulcer sufferers into their communities and its list of services have expanded ever since.

Their present bus is old and unreliable and often breaks down and is so small and uncomfortable that children and leprosy patients often have to stand or sit on each other’s knees.

“Sister Pat and her colleagues have been in desperate need of a new bus for some time,” said Monsignor Robinson. “The bus is essential as it the only provision of transport for

children and adults who attend the day centre, as well as many staff. It’s a lifeline for those in need and provides so many benefits to families living in poverty in the surrounding villages.”

Sister Pat taught at St Alphonsus School in Middlesbrough and managed a children’s home in Marton before beginning her work in Ghana.

The centre has three units, St Elizabeth’s, St Joseph’s and St Clare’s. St Elizabeth’s day unit supports 45 children and young adults with disabilities, who begin being collected from their villages at 5.30am each day and arrive at 7.30am.

St Joseph’s is a residential and part-time respite care home for up to 22 children and young adults. It began when teenagers were discharged from the leprosy hospital and could not return home because of the fear of stigmatisation and rejection by family and community.

St Clare’s is a residential home for up to 20 elderly and physical disabled leprosy patients who have lost limbs, ulcers and blindness. There is also outreach and day-care programmes.

“The centre carries out excellent work in a happy, loving, caring and supportive atmosphere,” said Monsignor Robinson. “It offers a peaceful and serene environment for those who have suffered much through their lives, treating them with love, care, dignity and respect. Mass at Ahotokurom is an especially joyous and colourful experience, with beautiful singing and drums.”

There is extreme poverty in the surrounding villages, with at times inadequate nutrition and many people living together in mud huts or one-roomed concrete buildings. This brings additional challenges where a family member has a disability.

Despite this, some Ahotokurom students have done extremely well and are taking university courses. Monsignor Robinson donated three laptop computers, giving students access to electronic learning for their degrees.

“They have already sent emails thanking me and it’s great to keep in touch with their progress,” Monsignor Robinson added.

The new bus will cost £70,000 but they already have £20,000 towards the purchase from other benefactors. Other needs include further development of the water supply and more help with education.



**Monsignor Robinson with young friends in Ghana**

Some of the money will come from the Justice & Peace Group’s “Ten Pence Bowl” at the back of the cathedral, where parishioners are encouraged to donate their loose change. This initiative has supported a number of good causes in recent years.

One parishioner has suggested collecting money in a small wooden bus painted in Ghanaian colours as a visual reminder of the appeal. Events are being organised and additional donations or ideas would be welcomed.

It is also hoped that the parish’s two schools, St Gerard’s and St Augustine’s, will get involved with the project.

Monsignor Gerard is hoping the centre’s chief executive, who is making a trip to the UK in September, will have the time to visit the cathedral to talk a little bit more about the work and be updated on their fundraising progress.

He is also hoping to return to Ghana to spend more time with the people at the centre later in the year.

If you would like to help, please call 01642 597750 or email [parish@middlesbroughcathedral.org](mailto:parish@middlesbroughcathedral.org).



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**Feast of the Month**

**St Anselm Feast Day: Saturday April 21**

St Anselm was born in 1033 in Aosta, which is now in Italy. He could see the Alps from his home. His parents were wealthy and as a child he was well educated. When he was 15 years old, he wanted to join a monastery but his father would not give his permission. Anselm was very disappointed. He became ill and gave up his studies. After he recovered, his mother died. Anselm argued with his father and at the age of 23, he left home and travelled to France. There he studied with Lanfranc, the famous abbot of the Benedictine monastery of Bec, and in 1060 Anselm entered the monastery as a monk. In 1063, Anselm was chosen to be abbot. He was renowned for his teaching, wisdom and understanding of the monks in his care. Eventually, he was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury, in England. The people of England loved and respected him, but King William II treated him badly. Even though he had many duties as archbishop, Anselm found time to write a great number of important books on philosophy and theology. His motto was: "Faith seeking understanding." He died on April 21 1109 and was declared a great teacher or Doctor of the Church.

**Feast On God's Love**

Recent editions of the *Voice* have introduced the scripture festival taking place in York in May. Here MARY CALLAN describes one of the workshops that will be available on the day...

Who is the most important person at the scripture festival? You are. Yes, you! The presenters will enjoy their day anyway, sharing their life-giving addiction to the Bible, but without you the day will be like a wedding-feast without guests.

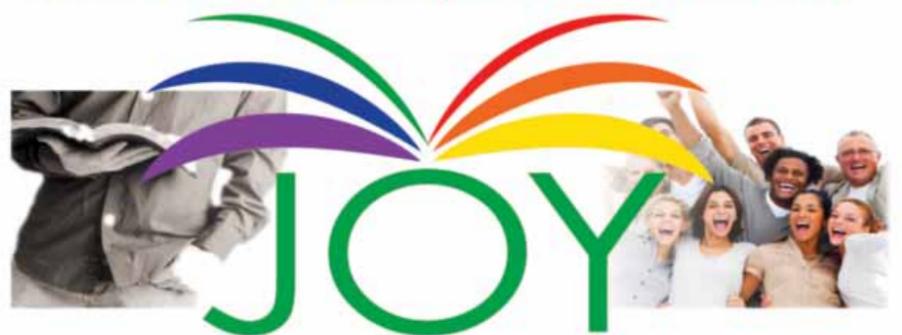
"But the Bible makes me feel so nervous," insisted a friend. "I'm not clever like you and if they ask me to do anything..." her voice trailed away. I would like to reassure anyone who is afraid of the Bible.

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philosophy, poetry, success and failure fill the pages of God's story, with something for everyone. Here you will read about kingdoms of the Middle East and Africa compared to huge healthy trees and you will understand the Parable of the Mustard Seed much better.

You will read of God's love for his bride, Israel, and be stunned at God's heartbroken forgiveness. You will read about the bread and wine offered with the Atonement sacrifice becoming most holy and be filled with awe for the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, our atonement sacrifice. The Bible is a feast to be shared, too rich to be digested alone. Without an audience, the day will be like an empty restaurant!

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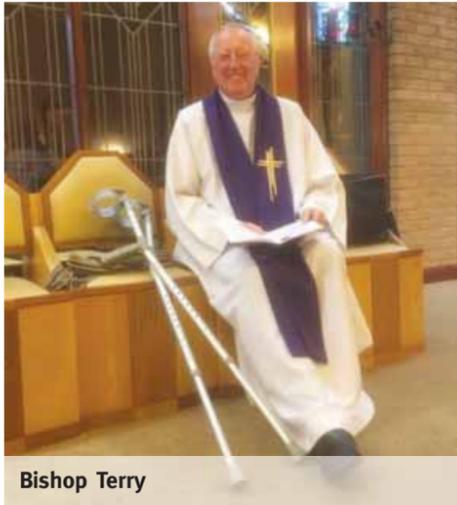
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# New Catholics Given Warm Welcome

**Candidates and catechumens were given a warm welcome as they began the final part of their journey towards being received into full communion with the Catholic Church.**

Canon Pat Hartnett led the traditional Rite of Election and Call To Continuing Conversion, which takes place in every cathedral in the world on the first Sunday of Lent.



Bishop Terry

The service marks the formal acceptance of people who have been on a journey of faith through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme.

This year there were 29 candidates - people who were either baptised into other Christian traditions, or people who were baptised as Catholics but did not complete their sacramental initiation. These 29 will be confirmed and receive Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil in their parishes.

There also 19 catechumens, who have not previously been baptised and will receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and holy communion during their Easter Vigil celebrations.

During the service, the catechumens were called one by one to the sanctuary, where their catechists were asked if they had prayerfully reflected on this next step and to affirm them in their faith journey. The godparents also came up to the altar and Canon Pat formally accepted the catechumens before they each signed the Book of the Elect.

The candidates were asked to stand in their places with their sponsors, who affirmed

they had been prayerfully preparing, but they do not sign the book as they are already Christians.

"In our diocese, we also ask them all to come up to be given a Tau cross as a gift and a sign that they are now entering that period of Lent, the period of purification and enlightenment," says RCIA coordinator Deacon Vince Purcell.

"I would always encourage parishes to get involved in the RCIA. As well as us welcoming the candidates and catechumens, it's important to remember that they are also leading us to a new understanding of our faith.

"Setting up an RCIA group can be demanding but is extremely rewarding and is part of what we're called to do as missionary parishes."

Bishop Terry was present at the service as he continues his recovery after knee surgery and was able to give the final blessing.

For all enquiries and support with RCIA please contact Vince by emailing [adultformation@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk](mailto:adultformation@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk).



Canon Pat Hartnett at the Rite of Election

## The Tau Cross

The Franciscan or "Tau" cross ("tau" rhymes with "how") takes its name from the Greek letter "T" that it resembles. It is an ancient form of the cross and was from earliest times the sign marked on the foreheads of "the saved ones". It looks like the outstretched arms of Christ, open to receive us, and is given to catechumens and candidates in our diocese as a sign of being welcomed by Christ into the joy of life through him and with him and in him, in the life of his body, the Church.

# Openings On Diocese Finance Board

**Do you have the skills and experience needed to take on an important role in the governance and strategic direction of our diocese?**

Diocese of Middlesbrough Trustee is a registered company that acts as the sole corporate trustee of the Middlesbrough Diocesan Trust, which is a registered charity. The Trustee assists Bishop Terry in providing oversight and strategic direction to the running of the diocese, especially with regard to its obligations as a charity. It is governed by a Finance Board, whose members act as directors of the company and, collectively, as "trustees" of the charity.

The Finance Board is chaired by Bishop Terry, who appoints other members, both lay people and clergy. Membership of the Finance Board is a very important position in the diocese and the normal length of appointment to this key role is five years.

The purpose of the Finance Board is:

1. To ensure that the diocese operates within its obligations under charity law and any other relevant legislation or regulations.
2. To ensure that the diocese pursues its charitable objects, namely the advancement of the Roman Catholic religion in the diocese and the advancement of any charitable purpose supported by the Church throughout the

world and to ensure that the diocese applies its resources exclusively in furtherance of its charitable objects.

3. To assist the bishop in giving strategic direction to the diocese.
4. To ensure the effective and efficient administration of the diocese and its financial stability.
5. To protect and manage the property of the diocese and to ensure the proper investment of its funds.

The Finance Board meets seven times a year, usually for half a day, occasionally up to a full day. Meetings are usually held in Middlesbrough, although one meeting each year is ordinarily held in Hull and one in York. Members are not paid for this role but reasonable expenses are recoverable.

Members may also be asked to attend meetings at parishes or schools within the diocese to obtain an understanding of the needs and aspirations of particular groups, or to undertake specific tasks at the request of the bishop or the board.

The Trustee is currently looking for individuals who may be interested in becoming members of the Finance Board. The membership of the Finance Board should reflect the diversity of the diocese and a wide range of backgrounds and experience

are welcomed.

However, every member of the Finance Board must have; a commitment to the Roman Catholic faith, integrity, an understanding and acceptance of the duties and responsibilities of charity trusteeship, independent judgement, the ability to work effectively as a member of a team and a willingness to devote the necessary time and effort to their duties. Specifically at this time, the Trustee would welcome interest from

people who have had senior leadership experience in the education, finance and property sectors.

If you might be interested in becoming a member of the Finance Board and believe you have the necessary skills and experience, please write with a CV to Reverend Peter Warren, Company Secretary, The Diocese of Middlesbrough Trustee, Curial Offices, 50a The Avenue, Middlesbrough TS5 6QT.



Current members of the Finance Board Nick Mack, Monsignor Gerard Robinson, Canon Alan Sheridan, Bishop Terry, Father William Massie, Angela Barham, Monsignor Gerry Dasey and John Fleming. Dr Jim Whiston is also a member but is not pictured. Reverend Peter Warren acts as Company Secretary.



## The Diocese of Middlesbrough is seeking members for its Finance Board

Members are appointed by Bishop Terry for a five-year term.

Members must be practising Catholics and should have the skills and experience required to take on this important role in planning the strategic direction of our diocese.

The position is voluntary, but reasonable expenses such as mileage are recoverable.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Finance Board, please write with a CV to:

**Reverend Peter Warren, Company Secretary,  
The Diocese of Middlesbrough Trustee, Curial Offices,  
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If you would like an informal conversation about the position, please call Reverend Warren on 01642 850505.

## NEWS

## A Letter From Madonna House

### On His Shoulders

It was one of those “chance encounters” that is anything but! God put a holy Italian priest in my path one day when I was in need. He had just preached a mission in Filey, and his words were fire. In talking with him afterwards, I discovered that he had training in Ignatian retreats and would be willing to direct me. I must admit I was a little nervous, as he was obviously a firebrand prophet, and I had a sense my life would change if I let him into my heart. And it did, in a joyous, life-giving way.



From the moment he picked me up at the train station, he challenged my self-sufficiency and fear of being a burden. “You brought your own food?” he asked with a wounded look. “I told you I would prepare your meals.” What could I do, then, but receive his cooking? I hadn’t wanted to bother him; I could just open some cans of soup. Instead, gourmet meals appeared on my table, as he delighted in serving me his best.

When I changed bedrooms because of the city noise, he reproached me, “You deprived me of the joy of preparing a new room for you!” When I finally admitted I was cold, he wrapped me in his enormous favourite Italian wool sweater and wondered why I had not spoken up earlier. This venerable old priest was washing my feet and treating me like a princess, and I wasn’t exactly comfortable with this!

One day he asked me to pray with the parable of the lost sheep, and that exposed my interior crisis. When I met with him the next day I cried, “This is exactly my problem. Why don’t I just stay in the sheep pen? Why do I keep wandering away and making the Good Shepherd come and find me and bring me back?” Underneath my distress was the hidden fear that God might one day give up on me or tire of having to fetch me, or show profound disappointment in my inability to stay on the right path.

With a look of puzzlement and tenderness, my retreat master exclaimed, “Oh no – you don’t want to be in the sheepfold, do you?” “Well, I thought that was the point,” I stammered. “Ah no,” he said. “Wouldn’t you rather be on his shoulders as he comes to find you? Once he hears your little cry of fear, loneliness and need, he delights to be right there, lifting you out of your misery. As he carries you back home, your cheek caresses his, and you can whisper all the things that troubled you, and you can hear him whisper his love right back to you. How intimate that moment is, with his strong arms around you and his breath mingling with yours. Wouldn’t you rather be there than just in the sheepfold?”

Well, I had to admit that actually sounded like what I’d always longed for, and my fear of condemnation evaporated. Wouldn’t you rather be there too?

Cheryl-Ann Smith

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## Marriage Preparation Plans Take Shape

We are well into the second year of the Middlesbrough marriage preparation project and things are beginning to pick up pace. We have spent the past year assessing marriage preparation provision across the diocese and planning our best response to the guidance on the preparation for marriage, issued by the Catholic Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales.

This guidance has been produced not only to encourage marriage preparation but to help parishes to be more supportive of marriage. It covers everything from the initial approach to the parish priest right up to the support of couples as they live their life together. The vision is a seven-step plan.

As a result of the work so far, we are now in the position to roll out the plan for marriage preparation in the Diocese of Middlesbrough.

We have worked hard at keeping our proposals as simple as possible so they will be sustainable and easy to implement. Our proposals are firmly rooted in the parish, in a similar way to the RCIA process. The beginning and end of the process will happen within the parish in which the couple will celebrate their marriage.

Our aim is to try to support the work of making our parishes as welcoming as possible. This is where we begin – the parish welcome. We regularly celebrate our children who make their first Holy Communion and teenagers who are confirmed, but then it all seems to stop. The aim of the Bishop’s Council for Marriage and Family Life is to continue this celebration of the sacraments by welcoming our engaged couples into our parishes.

This gives us the opportunity not only to congratulate them on their engagement but to pray for them as they prepare for marriage and celebrate with them after their wedding day. This welcome has already been piloted at

Holy Name in Middlesbrough, where Peter and Di Wordsworth introduced couples who were soon to get married to the parish. The feedback from this was extremely positive.

After the parish welcome, the engaged couples will be encouraged to attend a Marriage Preparation Day provided by Marriage Care or one recommended by their parish priest. We hope to be in a position very soon to train four additional pairs of facilitators to lead these courses in Hull, York, Middlesbrough and Scarborough.

The final part of the preparation returns to the parish for a session on the Rite of Marriage, ensuring that enough time is given for the couples to consider the marriage vows and look at the importance of the ceremony they will be at the centre of.

Our hope is that this Marriage Preparation Plan focuses firmly on the joy of the sacrament as a living sign of the love of God and on preparing our engaged couples for a full life together in the light of that love.

Anyone planning to get married in our diocese should talk to your parish priest, who will be able to point you in the right direction and give you a copy of our leaflet explaining the process. This is our invitation to you to allow us to celebrate your commitment to each other and to offer our support if you need it. At the very least it will allow us to know when you are getting married and to pray for you both as you prepare.

Micki Coyle, Marriage Preparation Coordinator

Your Marriage  
Your Preparation

Preparing for Marriage  
in the  
Diocese of Middlesbrough



Getting Married?  
A little preparation  
can make  
a big difference



The couples' welcome at Holy Name Parish in Middlesbrough

## Celebrating The Life Of Mary Ward

Members of the Congregation of Jesus and the Loreto Sisters from all over the country were among those who gathered at St Thomas’ Church, Osbaldwick, York, for the annual Mary Ward Service.



Sister Ann Parker O Carm, Father Bill Serplus, Anne Lawrence, Sister Mary Walmsley CJ, Kath Stubbs

This service is held on the Sunday nearest to the anniversary of Mary’s death in January 1645.

Venerable Mary Ward died in Heworth, which is in the city of York, but was secretly buried at Osbaldwick and her tombstone was in the churchyard at St Thomas’ until 1967 when it was moved into the church, where it remains today.

Parishioners from several local churches were present at the service, worshipping God together at the end of Christian Unity week.

The Vicar of St Thomas’, Reverend Andrew Clements, who has a great interest in Venerable Mary, presented an interesting picture of her life and the effect she has had throughout the world.

During the year he greets many visitors from many countries. Last year 120 Friends of the Mary Ward Order from 24 countries around the world visited – the largest number in one day.

Venerable Mary was a visionary and an example of prayer, obedience, joy and the love of Jesus. She founded the Congregation of Jesus, a religious congregation for women modelled on the Society of Jesus. They are found all over the world, including in our own diocese at York’s Bar Convent.

The service was the United Evensong, with readings from Father Bill Serplus, of St Aelred’s, followed by the Evening Collect and blessing by the Bishop of Selby, John Thomson.

Kath Stubbs

# Getting To The The Whole Tooth

**Francis Hannaway, from St Gabriel's Parish, Ormesby, in Middlesbrough, lives and works in Basankusu Diocese, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where he is a lay missionary with Mill Hill Missionaries.**

During the past month, the "Rural Women Determined Against Malnutrition", the registered name of our association, were pleased to see our numbers drop to only five. They didn't waste time and were soon planting pineapples and soya beans in our garden. These crops will provide food for the children and an income to support our work. Pineapples grow on the ground and send runners through the soil to make new plants, as strawberries do.

"The pineapples will take more than six months before we can pick them," explained our nurse, Mama José. "But the soya will be ripe in about two months. We've got to be ready for the next wave of malnourished children coming to us. At the moment there is some fish for families to catch in the small streams. That's quite easy, lots of children go with their mothers to catch catfish, which slither along in the small streams."

She explained further, "The women dig a hole and scoop out the water; they put a basket into the hole and the fish come down the stream and fall into the basket. That's an easy way to feed your children for free.

"Towards the end of April, heavy rains flood the streams and the fish swim off to deeper water. So no more free food! That's when we always see lots of malnourished children at our centre. The hungry months continue right up until the end of August when the next free food arrives: that's the edible caterpillars! Just like the free fish, they are very rich in protein, which helps the children to grow."

As I walked home from our vegetable garden, I walked

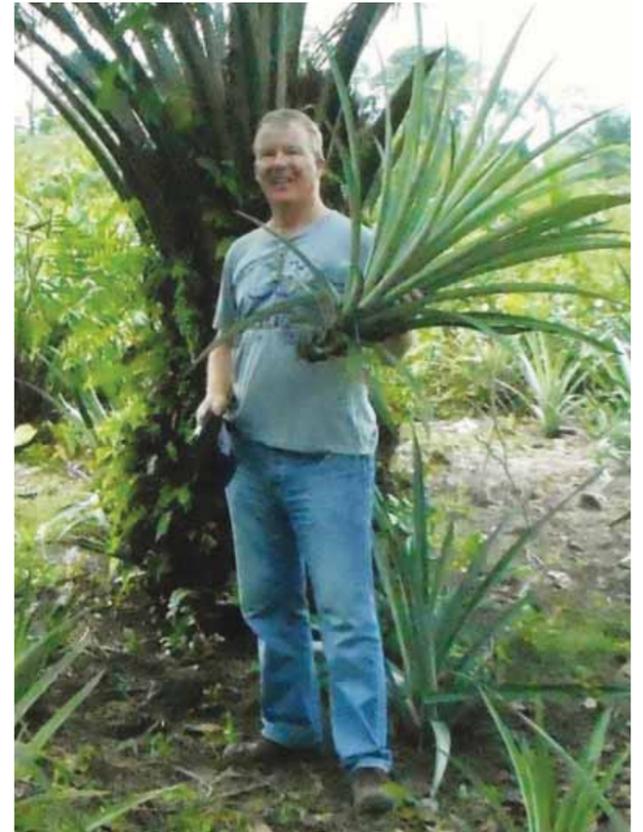
underneath the branches of an avocado tree that leant over the path from someone's garden. I counted twenty ripe avocados hanging on the tree. It just shows what people can have to eat if they just think ahead – sadly, some people fall on difficult times, or illness, and end up not being able to feed their children.

The very same day, at our Mill Hill Missionaries house, I enjoyed some tasty catfish like the ones I mentioned. I tried to be like the locals and crunched hard on the small bones. It wasn't very wise – I broke part of a tooth! You might be able to have a tooth taken out in Basankusu but I didn't want that and to find a proper dentist I needed to travel to Kinshasa.

The routine has now become familiar. I was able to get a canoe ride with the visiting provincial of the Daughters of Jesus sisters. Two days on the river was followed by two days waiting for a plane, which failed to turn up the first day. We eventually were reunited with our suitcases three days after arriving, but didn't complain (well, not too much anyway).

I will be back in Basankusu soon – in time for the malnourished children who we know will soon arrive. Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers – and even better, send a small donation to help with this work.

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Francis helping to plant pineapples at the nutrition centre



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# Holy Week Mass Times

## Acklam & Brookfield

### St Francis, Acklam

#### Palm Sunday

6.00pm (Saturday) Vigil Mass  
10.45am Mass

#### Maundy Thursday

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and watching before the Blessed Sacrament until 9.00pm

#### Good Friday

3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

#### Holy Saturday

6.00pm Easter Vigil

#### Easter Sunday

10.45am Mass

### St Clare of Assisi

#### Palm Sunday

9.30am Mass

#### Monday & Wednesday of Holy Week

9.15am Mass

#### Maundy Thursday

10.00am Children's Mass

#### Good Friday

11.00am United Service at the Salvation Army Citadel, Crimson Avenue

#### Easter Sunday

9.30am Mass

## Bridlington

### Our Lady & St Peter

#### Maundy Thursday

9.15am Office of Readings  
6.15-6.45pm Confessions  
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper watching until 10.00pm

#### Good Friday

9.15am Office of Readings  
10.00-10.30am & 2.00-2.45pm Confessions  
3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion  
7.00pm Stations & Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross

#### Holy Saturday

9.15am Office of Readings  
10.00-10.45am Confessions  
11.00am Blessing of Polish Foodstuffs  
7.30pm Vigil and First Mass of Easter

#### Easter Sunday

8.30am Mass  
10.30am Mass

## Easingwold

### St John the Evangelist

#### Mass Times for Holy Week

#### Maundy Thursday

7 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### Good Friday

Stations of the Cross 11 am  
Good Friday Liturgy 3 pm

#### Holy Saturday

9.30 am Morning Prayer  
12 noon Confession and Reconciliation  
9 pm Mass of the Easter Vigil

#### Easter Sunday

10.30 am Sung Mass of Easter

## Hessle

### Our Lady of Lourdes

#### Holy Thursday

10.00am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer  
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### Good Friday

10.00am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer  
11.00am Stations of the Cross for Children  
3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
7.00pm Reflection on the Passion

#### Holy Saturday

9.30am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer  
8.30pm Easter Vigil

#### Easter Sunday

8.30am Mass  
10.30am Mass  
5.30pm Mass

## Hull

### St Charles Borromeo

#### Maundy Thursday

6:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Watching until 10.00pm

#### Good Friday

3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

#### Holy Saturday

7.45pm Easter Vigil

#### Easter Sunday

10.00am Mass  
6.30pm Mass

## Hull

### Our Lady of Lourdes and St Peter Chanel

#### Palm Sunday

Procession with Palms and Mass at 10.00 am

#### Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30 pm

#### Good Friday

Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 3.00 pm

#### Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil at 8.00 pm

#### Easter Sunday

Mass at 10.00 am

#### Easter Monday

Mass at 12.00 noon

## Ingleby Barwick

### St Therese of Lisieux

#### Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Prayer  
Watching at the Altar of Repose concluding with night prayer 10pm

#### Good Friday

9.00am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer  
3.00pm The Lord's Passion

#### Holy Saturday

9.00am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer  
8.00pm Easter Vigil Mass

#### Easter Sunday

11.00am Mass

## Kirkcubbin

### Our Lady & St Peter

#### Holy Week Eve

#### Sunday

#### (Palm Sunday)

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OLSC: 6.00pm

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#### (Easter Sunday)

St Mary's: Mass  
OLSC: Mass

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## Moorside Elmsley

### St Chad, St Mary

#### Events & Service Times Monday 25 March (Palm Sunday)

Blessing of Palms  
Mass 9.00am  
Blessing of Palms  
Mass 10.30am

#### Monday 29 March (Maundy Thursday)

Mass of the Lord's Supper,  
to the Altar of Repose  
Watching 7.30pm

#### Monday 30 March (Good Friday)

Ecumenical Walk and  
Procession from 10.15am  
Ecumenical Walk  
Procession 11.00am  
Holy Liturgy 3.00pm

#### Monday 31 March (Easter Vigil)

Easter Vigil 8.00pm

#### Monday 1 April (Easter Sunday)

Masses of Easter Day 9.00am  
Mass of Easter Day 10.30am

## Lealholm, Egton Bridge, Ugthorpe

### Monday, Lealholm Tuesday, Egton Bridge Wednesday, Ugthorpe

#### Monday Sunday

(Palm Sunday) Vigil - Lealholm  
Mass - Egton Bridge  
Mass - Ugthorpe

#### Monday Thursday

Masses of the Last Supper  
Watching until 9.00pm  
Egton Bridge

#### Monday Friday

Stations of the Cross  
Lealholm  
Stations of the Cross  
Ugthorpe  
Liturgy of the Passion  
Egton Bridge

#### Monday Saturday

Easter Vigil Mass  
Lealholm

#### Monday Easter Day

Mass - Egton Bridge  
Mass - Ugthorpe

## Pickering

### St Joseph

#### Maundy Thursday

7.30 pm Mass of the  
Lord's Supper

#### Good Friday

3.00 pm Solemn Liturgy  
of the Passion

#### Holy Saturday

8.30 pm The Easter Vigil

#### Easter Day

8.00 am Mass  
11.00 am Mass

## Redcar

### Blessed Nicholas Postgate

Temporarily including St Bede's,  
Marske for Easter 2018

#### Palm Sunday

6.30 pm (Saturday) Mass  
in St Augustine's Church

9.00 am Mass in

Sacred Heart Church

9.30 am Mass in St Bede's Church

11.00 am Mass in

St Augustine's Church

#### Monday

7.00 pm Mass in

St Augustine's Church

#### Tuesday

12.00 pm Chrism Mass at

St Mary's Cathedral

#### Wednesday

9.30 am Mass in St Bede's Church  
followed by Stations of the Cross

#### Holy Thursday

7.00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
followed by the Watch of the Passion  
at St Bede's Church

#### Good Friday

9.30 am Office of Readings and  
Morning Prayer in St Augustine's  
Church

11.30 am Ecumenical Act of  
Witness in Marske

3.00 pm Celebration of the Lord's  
Passion at Sacred Heart Church

7.00 pm Ancient Service for the Burial  
of Christ at St Augustine's Church

#### Holy Saturday

9.30 am Readings and Morning  
Prayer in Sacred Heart Church

8.00 pm Easter Vigil in

St Augustine's Church

#### Easter Sunday

9.00 am Mass in

Sacred Heart Church

9.30 am Mass in St Bede's Church

11.00 am Mass in

St Augustine's Church

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**St Augustine's Church, 10, Warwick  
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**St Bede's Church, 17, Southfield  
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## Scarborough

### St Peter, St Joseph & St Edward

#### Monday 26 March

#### RECONCILIATION SERVICE

7pm at St Peter's Church  
With visiting priests

#### EASTER TRIDUUM

#### HOLY THURSDAY 29 March

Mass of the Lord's Supper:  
4pm at St Edward's  
6.30pm at St Joseph's  
(Confessions from 8pm approx)  
7.30pm at St Peter's  
(Confessions from 9pm approx)

#### GOOD FRIDAY 30 March

Solemn Liturgy of the  
Lord's Passion:  
3pm at St Peter's  
(Confessions from 4.15 approx)  
3pm at St Joseph's  
(Confessions from 4.15 approx)  
7pm at St Peter's  
(Polish Good Friday Liturgy)

#### HOLY SATURDAY 31 March

9.30-10.30am Confessions  
at St Peter's  
7pm at St Joseph's  
- EASTER VIGIL  
8pm at St Peter's  
- EASTER VIGIL

#### EASTER SUNDAY 1 April

8:30am - St Edward's  
9.30am - St Peter's (Polish)  
10am - St Joseph's  
11:30am - St Peter's

**Scarborough Catholic Parishes  
Incorporating: St Peter (Castle  
Road), St Joseph (Green Lane  
Newby), St Edward the  
Confessor (Avenue Victoria)**

## York

### St George

#### Palm Sunday

10.30am Mass with Children's  
Procession

#### Holy Thursday

7.00pm Mass of the  
Lord's Supper  
followed by Watching until 11.00pm

#### Good Friday

12.00 Noon Stations of the Cross  
3.00pm Celebration of the Passion  
and Death of the Lord

#### Holy Saturday

8.00pm Easter Vigil

#### Easter Sunday

10.30am Mass of the Resurrection

## York

### English Martyrs

#### HOLY THURSDAY

#### Thursday 29th March

7pm Evening Mass of the  
Lord's Supper  
Followed by a Service of  
Watching until 9pm

#### GOOD FRIDAY

#### Friday 30th March

3pm Celebration of the  
Lord's Passion

#### HOLY SATURDAY

#### Saturday 31st March

7pm The Easter Vigil in  
the Holy Night

#### EASTER SUNDAY

#### Sunday of the Resurrection

#### Sunday 1st April

10.30am Mass of Easter Day

**Dalton Terrace,  
York YO24 4DA**

## York

### St Joseph and St Wilfrid

#### Maundy Thursday

#### - 29 March

Mass of the Lord's Supper  
for both parishes in St Wilfrid's  
at 6pm  
Watching at the Altar of Repose  
until Compline at 11.45pm

#### Good Friday

#### - 30 March

#### St Joseph's

Solemn Liturgy of the Passion  
at 12 noon  
Stations of the Cross at 6pm

#### St Wilfrid's

Children's Stations at 11am  
Solemn Liturgy of the Passion  
at 3pm

Stations of the Cross at 6.30pm  
followed by individual veneration  
and blessing with the Relic  
of the True Cross

#### HOLY SATURDAY

#### - 31 MARCH

Easter Vigil and First Mass of  
Easter for both parishes  
8.30pm at St Wilfrid's

N.B. No Mass at 5.15pm at St  
Joseph's or 6.15pm at St Wilfrid's

## NEWS

# An Environmental Policy For Our Diocese

**An invitation to our diocesan community to praise God for his gift of our beautiful planet and to share the Care of Our Common Home....**

*"From panoramic vistas to the tiniest living form, nature is a continuing source of wonder and awe. It is also a continuing revelation of the divine." – Pope Francis quoting the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops*

In 2015, Pope Francis issued the encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, *On Care of Our Common Home*. This document, above all, makes the connection between loving our planet and loving our neighbour. It challenged our "throwaway culture", engendered by the never-ending growth of our industrialised, capitalist economies, fuelled by what were believed to be unlimited resources.

He called upon our world community to value and take care of our precious planet and its limited resources. There is no doubting the importance Pope Francis places on this. In September 2016, Pope Francis said that prayer and action to protect the environment should be added to the seven corporal works of mercy. He calls on us all to refigure our mindset and change our lifestyle in the light of global warming and the damage it is causing especially to the most vulnerable people on the planet.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, in correspondence to the Chair of the Middlesbrough Justice and Peace Commission, said, "The changing of attitudes and minds is the priority. Making the encyclical and its teaching known as broadly as possible is the key, both within and outside the Church." The question for our diocesan community is how do we do that?

Pope Francis calls us to "a change in lifestyle" and a "change in mindset" in view of the damage global warming is causing to the earth and to the most vulnerable people on it. Change is always difficult and this challenge will undoubtedly touch on areas that may not be popular.

It is hoped that this document will suggest ways in which we, the diocesan community, both clergy and laity, can cooperate to take on the challenge of caring for our wonderful planet, preserving it for us and future generations. Let us go forward "in love and hope." Let us take the opportunity of reflecting, praying and taking action for social and environmental justice, while giving thanks for the beauty of God's creation.

#### What can we do as a diocesan community?

- We have in place an Ethical Investment Policy.
- We are a Living Wage employer.



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- The Diocese of Middlesbrough, along with many other Catholic dioceses, purchases "green energy" in all its parishes.

#### In addition...

- Let us joyfully reflect on the beauty of God's creation and give thanks for God's gift of it to us through our prayers and Liturgy wherever possible.
- Let us understand the biblical basis for taking care of creation – see *Laudato Si'*.
- Let us raise awareness and educate ourselves about the damage done to God's creation, particularly damage that results in injustice and violence, both through the exploitative practices of large companies, and through extreme weather conditions.
- Let us help ourselves and others make the connections, as Pope Francis does, between the careless use of plastic bottles or leaving lights on unnecessarily and the effects these have on the poorest and most vulnerable people in our world.
- Let us disinvest from fossil fuels.
- Let us take action as a diocese to be open to the plight of people affected by environmental damage and to engage with them.
- Let us collaborate with those who have similar concerns.

- Let us give particular support to CAFOD's campaigns for safeguarding the environment and supporting refugees. Let us also encourage the growth of Live Simply parishes in the diocese as an appropriate response to *Laudato Si'*.

#### What can we do in our parishes and schools? How can we ensure that we have a collective lifestyle that respects others and God's creation?

Schools are often to the fore in education on environmental matters. It could be helpful for parishes to learn from their expertise in this area.

- Start the process of becoming a Fair Trade parish and/or a Live Simply parish.
- Seek ways of making church gardens mini nature reserves where possible. Grow vegetables for the church community. Install bird boxes and beehives. Where there is no garden space, pots can be planted. Perhaps nearby gardens can be adopted.
- Encourage recycling and composting.
- Use environmentally friendly cleaning products.
- Use washable china in our church halls. Avoid plastic and disposable ware.
- Undertake an energy audit. Raise awareness of careful use of electricity.

Explore the possibility of solar panels where appropriate, especially for church halls and priests' houses. Other aids to saving energy, such as battery storage, will be coming in the near future. These may be especially useful for churches that are generally open for a few hours in the week.

- Undertake an environmental audit of the use of paper and water to encourage economical use.
- Provide bicycle racks. Encourage the use of public transport when practicable and of car sharing.
- Collect and distribute food, clothing and other necessities for refugee projects and food banks.
- Support local Credit Unions.

#### What can we do individually: looking at our lifestyles?

- Encourage and support the diocesan and parish initiatives above.
- Consider consuming less energy and fuel and explore purchasing energy from green providers. Install solar panels where possible and appropriate.
- Take care in our use of water and paper at home.
- Avoid the use of plastic.
- Buy what we genuinely need, purchasing Fairtrade and organically and ethically sourced items where possible. Look for items that include sustainably sourced palm oil.
- Dispose responsibly of what we don't need, avoiding dumping by giving away to charities or recycling organisations. Compost food and garden waste.
- When possible, reduce our consumption of meat, which will help to reduce methane gas and make more land and grain available for people.
- Use cars less and maximise use of public transport where possible.
- Give careful consideration to whether we need to fly.
- Establish and support alternatives to the "throwaway society". Explore the activities of groups such as "Make Do and Mend" and of thrift fairs.
- Avoid single-use plastic. Look for alternatives to plastic in all areas of our life.
- Avoid the use of damaging pesticides in the garden. Plant flowers and bushes to encourage bees.

"To sense each creature singing the hymn of its existence is to live joyfully in love and hope." – Pope Francis quoting the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Japan, 2000

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## Join Us At Mission Earth 2

Saturday April 21 from 10am to 2pm in All Saints Lower School, Nunnery Lane, York YO23 1JG

Keynote speaker: Ellen Teague (Columban Justice and Peace Team)

You are invited to Mission Earth 2, a special event to launch our diocesan environment policy.

We hope that together we will find ways to reflect on the beauty of God's creation and become more aware of how we can go forward together to sustain and preserve our world, both for ourselves and for future generations.

We will hear from Ellen Teague, speaking from 20 years' experience as a campaigner and advocate, and learn from other organisations engaged in similar work.



Ellen Teague

This is an exciting new initiative for our diocese in response to Pope Francis' call to care for our common home and all who live in it. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be available.

Policy booklets will be available for every parish. If you could consider being a parish contact for this please email [bhungin@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:bhungin@yahoo.co.uk).

Barbara Hungin,  
Diocese of Middlesbrough  
Justice and Peace Commission

# A Weekend Of Prayer – And Just A Little Prosecco!

**When the leader of our monthly prayer group in Scarborough suggested a girls' weekend away, we jumped at the chance. It would be two nights away in beautiful, serene surroundings with an on-site bar.**

Average time taken to reach a consensus? A nano-second. "It's not a holiday, it's a serious weekend," I told my daughter firmly. "Why are you packing prosecco, then?" she replied.

We were privileged to enjoy a retreat led by Ros Powell, who, along with the venue, Hinsley Hall, came highly recommended. Ros usually ministers to people in their hundreds, sometimes thousands, equipping others for ministry, particularly in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It was like organising a small party entertainer for eight people and discovering that you've accidentally booked Beyoncé!

We live in challenging times and Ros challenged us from the start. The rosary is our go-to prayer form and charismatic prayer in the Spirit was new for some. We found a daily rhythm that incorporated both, alongside talks and prayer sessions with Ros.

The Biblical roots of praying in the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit were a key focus for the weekend, and Ros shared experiences from her 30-year ministry. A personal relationship with the Lord and his desire for us

to know him better was a recurrent theme.

Ros encouraged us to devote time to praying for ourselves – none of us realised how little we prioritise this. She urged us to be bold in our requests of the Lord, to be open to the presence of God's spirit in our daily lives and to "plug in" through prayer. Most of all, she led us powerfully in prayer, a beautiful experience that we carry still.

Ros told us that joy was purely of God and I found myself thinking rather grumpily that joy was pretty difficult to hang onto in the cut and thrust of life. One phrase came into my mind repeatedly during the weekend: "Remain in my love." When I got home I looked it up and found it in John 15:9-12. I took the point.

Having met together for over a year we were already friends, but we left with a deeper closeness as a group, knowing each other and ourselves in a new way.

The Church is rich in forms of prayer, each offering a means of dialogue and relationship with the Lord. We feel focused on developing and deepening our spirituality. We are incredibly grateful to Ros for the blessings of that time together. May it bear much fruit through God's plan for our group. And yes, we did drink the prosecco!



Members of the Scarborough prayer group, women aged 25 to 49 who meet to pray in each other's homes, on their retreat at Hinsley Hall

## This Month's Clergy Anniversaries

Please pray for the following priests of our diocese whose anniversaries are during the month of April...

1	1975	Canon James Lindley Hall	Hull
1	1988	Rev Richard Van de Pitte	York
4	1988	Rev Anthony Wade, MCCJ	York
5	1900	Very Rev Canon William Sullivan	Hull
6	1956	Rev John Potts	Pickering
7	1978	Very Rev Canon Francis O'Hara	Middlesbrough
10	2017	Very Rev Canon Bill Madden	Cork
10	1894	Very Rev Canon Edward Pearson	Leyburn
10	1977	Rev William Bury	Middlesbrough
11	1929	Rt Rev Richard Lacy, first Bishop of Middlesbrough	
12	1946	Rev Bernard Costello	Hull
14	1897	Very Rev Canon Benjamin Randerson	Whitby
15	1999	Very Rev Canon Donal O'Byrne	Scarborough
16	1962	Rev James Murphy	York
18	1982	Very Rev Canon Daniel Ryan	Bridlington
19	1986	Rt Rev Mgr Provost Thomas Breen	Thornaby
21	1912	Rev David Smith	Holme
21	1886	Very Rev Canon William Fisher	Bridlington
22	2006	Rev John A Treacy	York
25	1928	Rev Alphonsus Wannyn	Hull
25	2009	Rev Austin O'Neill	Limerick
26	1990	Rev James J Gilligan	Ballyagran
26	2014	Rev Clement Pattison	Middlesbrough
28	1935	Rev James Skehan	Howden
29	1915	Rev Patrick Finn, C	Houghton Hall
29	1932	Rev Patrick O'Regan	Driffield
30	1995	Rev John Jenkinson	Hull



Canon Bill Madden, centre, whose first anniversary is on April 10

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# Out & About around the Diocese

## BISHOP TERENCE PATRICK DRAINEY ENGAGEMENTS FOR APRIL 2018

Due to a recent accident and subsequent surgery a number of the Bishop's official engagements have been cancelled or postponed.

- 9** Attends ordination of Bishop Elect Paul Swarbrick at Cathedral Church of St Peter, Lancaster, 11.30am
- 12** Attends meeting of Bishop's Council at Bishop's House, Middlesbrough 11.00 am
- 16-19 April inclusive** – attends Bishops' Plenary meeting at Hinsley Hall
- 21-29 April** – visitation to Valladolid

- 1 Sun**  
**8pm** Sat Vigil Easter Vigil (Cathedral Choir) St Mary's Cathedral (31 March)  
**10am** Easter Day Mass, St Mary's Cathedral  
**5pm** Easter Day Mass, St Mary's Cathedral  
 See centre of paper for your parish Mass times.
- 3 Tues**  
**7pm** Knights of St Columba, Council 29, meet at St Mary's Cathedral, Dalby Way, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough commencing with Mass in the Cathedral chapel.
- 4 Wed**  
**6.30pm** The Secular Franciscan Order meets every first Wednesday of the month at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, tel (01904) 470041 for further details.
- 6 Fri**  
 Events and articles for the May Voice are due by today
- 7 Sat**  
**12 noon** Christian Meditation Weekly Group, St John of Beverley, Church (11.45am for new meditators). Contact: christianmeditation.beverley@gmail.com
- 8 Sun**  
**11.30am** Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration at St Aelred's Church, Fifth Avenue, Tang Hall, York YO31 0PN. Eucharistic Adoration from 11.30am, confessions from 1pm available throughout the afternoon, Holy Hour of Mercy 3pm; Blessing of the Image, Diary Readings, Chaplet of Mercy, Individual Consecration to the Divine Mercy, Benediction. All welcome; tea and biscuits afterwards.  
**12 noon** Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF  
**12 noon-4pm** Divine Mercy Sunday celebration at St Vincent's Church, Queen's Road, Hull HU5 2QP. Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions all afternoon. Holy Hour commencing at 3pm; Blessing of the Image, prayers/reading from the Diary, Chaplet of Mercy, Benediction. All welcome.  
**1.30pm-4pm** Divine Mercy Sunday at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace; Mass at 3pm  
**3pm** Diocese of Middlesbrough LGBT+ outreach and service; Mass giving an explicit welcome to LGBT+ Catholics, their families and friends, in the chapel of The Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ  
**5pm** Latin Mass, St Mary & St Joseph, Baxtergate, Hedon HU12 8JN  
**6pm** Mass in the Malayalam language at St Joseph's Church, Marton Road, Middlesbrough. Contact tel (01642) 818203 for details.  
**6pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF
- 9 Mon**  
**1.30pm** The Annunciation: Rosary 1.30pm, Mass 2pm, the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace  
**7.30pm** Justice & Peace meet at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Nan Saeki (01904) 783621 for further details

- 10 Tues**  
**12.45pm** Hull and District Catholic Women's Luncheon Club meet at the Kingston Theatre Hotel, Hull.  
**2pm-4pm** The Life Ascending Group, York West meet at Our Lady's, Acomb, York in the Fr Kelly room.  
**7.30pm** The Knights of St Columba, Council 95, meet at Council Chambers, English Martyrs Hall, Dalton Terrace, York
- 11 Wed**  
**10.30am** The Life Ascending Group at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hessele meets after morning Mass  
**10.30am** The Life Ascending Group at St Leonard & St Mary, Malton meets  
**2-3.30pm** 'Music for the Mind', St Mary's Cathedral hall. All welcome, particular those with dementia, their carers, families and friends.  
**2.30pm** Prayer Group, John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough. New members welcome.
- 13 Fri**  
**7pm-8.30pm** Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets in St Anthony's Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact John (01759) 380415 for details.  
**7.30pm** Marian Evening at the John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough – Rosary, Holy Mass, talk, witness. Contact Marie Bedingfield, tel (01642) 530739 for details

- 14 Sat**  
**9.30am-4pm** Come Holy Spirit' The Ryedale Christian Council invites you to a day conference, Alban Roe House, Ampleforth Abbey. Contact Helen3goodman:helen3goodman@outlook.com  
**10.30am** Christian Meditation Weekly Group, St John of Beverley, Church (11.45am for new meditators). Contact: christianmeditation.beverley@gmail.com
- 15 Sun**  
**12 noon** Sung Latin Mass at St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF  
**6pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF
- 16 Mon**  
**7.30pm** 'Adoremus: National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress 2018'; York Newman Circle, Fr William Massie, at the Bar Convent, Blossom Street, York. Further information from judith.smeaton @btinternet.com.

- 18 Wed**  
**6pm** Sung Benediction with Vespers (Cantor), St Mary's Cathedral  
**8pm** The Knights of St Columba, Hull Council 45, meet at St Joseph's Church, West Hull

- 19 Thur**  
**7.30pm-9.30pm** Bible study in Our Lady's, Acomb looking at one complete set of Sunday readings (first, second and gospel). Contact Lukasz (07540981429) for details

- 20 Fri**  
**7.30pm** Aquinas Reading Group in the Upper Room at St Wilfrid's, York. A guided reading of the Summa Theologiae. Contact Steve Evans, tel 07800697975 or e-mail: steve\_evans21 @tiscali.co.uk. Further details at http://readingthesumma.blogspot.com

- 21 Sat**  
**10am-2pm** An Invitation to Mission Earth 2, All Saints Lower School, Nunnery Lane, York YO23 1JG – a special event to launch the diocesan environmental policy  
**12 noon** Christian Meditation Weekly Group, St John of Beverley, Church (11.45am for new meditators). Contact christianmeditation.beverley@gmail.com

- 7.30pm** Sacred Heart Parish Dance (Sally Glennon), Erimus Club, Cumberland Road, Middlesbrough TS5 6JB. Contact Eddie: 01642 860227

- 22 Sun**  
**10am** Solemn Mass (Leeds Cathedral Junior Choristers), St Mary's Cathedral  
**12 noon** Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF  
**3pm** Catholic Fellowship Mass, St Gabriel's, Ormesby  
**6pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

- 25 Wed**  
**12.45pm-3pm** Life Ascending Group, York Central meets at St Wilfrid's, York in the Upper Room after 12.10pm Mass  
**6pm** Sung Benediction with Vespers (Ladies Schola), St Mary's Cathedral  
**7.45pm** Cleveland Newman Circle; Dr Stefano Cracolici, Reader at Durham University 'Mater Admirabilis – the birth of a Global Sacred Icon' St Mary's Cathedral Hall, Middlesbrough TS8 0TW (coffee/tea from 7.30pm)

- 26 Thurs**  
**7.30pm-9pm** The Pastoral Support Group for carers especially of people with mental ill health meets in Middlesbrough. Contact Margaret (01642) 865668 for venue and other details

- 27 Fri**  
**7pm** Marian Prayer Group, St Anthony's Church, Beverley Road, Hull. All welcome. Contact Pat (01482) 802483 for details

- 28 Sat**  
**12 noon** Christian Meditation Weekly Group, St John of Beverley, Church (11.45am for new meditators). Contact: christianmeditation.beverley@gmail.com

- 29 Sun**  
**10am** First Holy Communion (Cathedral Choir), St Mary's Cathedral  
**12 noon** Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF  
**3pm** Rosary on the Coast in the following places: Lifeboat Station in Foreshore Road, South Bay, Scarborough  
 Beach beside the cinema, Redcar  
 Grotto at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Saltburn  
**4.15pm** Sung Solemn Vespers (Senior Girls' Choristers), St Mary's Cathedral  
**6pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

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Please note there is no Benediction/Vespers at the Cathedral during choir holiday period on 4, 11 and 15 April

### First week of May

- 1 Tues**  
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- 2 Wed**  
**6.30pm** The Secular Franciscan Order meets every first Wednesday of the month at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, tel (01904) 470041 for further details.

- 5 Sat**  
**12 noon** Christian Meditation Weekly Group, St John of Beverley, Church (11.45am for new meditators). Contact: christianmeditation.beverley@gmail.com

## Advance Notices

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help takes place every Wednesday after the 9.30am Mass in St John of Beverley, North Bar Without.

- 12 May 2018**, 10am-4.30pm 'Joy: the Surprise of the Gospel', All Saints School, York
- 12 May** 10.30am Anthony Storey Memorial Lecture in Staff House, University of Hull; guest speaker Dr Anna Rowlands, Associate Professor of Catholic Social Thought and Practice, University of Durham
- 2 June** – Day of Prayer to Holy Island of Lindisfarne led by Bishop Paul Mason. Further information from Deacon Peter Barrigan on 07713 924 504
- 23 June** UCM Annual Diocesan Meeting, St Mary's, Filey; Mass at 12 noon followed by meeting

**NEWS**

# Your Invitation To Rosary On The Coast

**Catholics are being invited to head to the seaside and take part in the nationwide Rosary on the Coast day of prayer for faith, life and peace later this month.**

The event has been organised to pray for the revival of Christianity in the British Isles and is inspired by similar events in Poland and Ireland. Three venues have been confirmed within our diocese and the organisers hope more will sign up.

“The rosary is a powerful spiritual instrument to bring about a return to belief in God, an end to evil and for a rebuilding of a culture of life,” said Rosary on the Coast coordinator for England, Antonia Moffat. “There is a great unease in people’s hearts as helplessly they watch daily the news channels and their incessant litany of bad news.

“How are we all to respond with both generosity and compassion? Rosary on the Coast seeks through prayer for peace to awaken hope again and plead for peace from God throughout the world.”

Canon Eddie Gubbins will lead a gathering beside the lifeboat station in Foreshore Road, South Bay, Scarborough, while St Peter’s Church will be open for those unable to get to the beach.

In Redcar, the rosary will be said on the beach beside the cinema and in Saltburn, Knights of St Columba will lead the rosary in the grotto at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Rosary on the Coast takes place on Sunday April 29 at 3pm. To participate, find a coastal location for prayer and submit it

either via the website or email for inclusion on the map.

Website: [rosaryonthecoast.co.uk](http://rosaryonthecoast.co.uk)

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Email: [admin@rosaryonthecoast.co.uk](mailto:admin@rosaryonthecoast.co.uk)



# Summer Weekend Examines Healing God’s World

**What are the implications of the prayer “Thy Will be done”? How can Christians contribute to the healing of God’s world? This summer a panel of speakers in York will lead a weekend focusing on aspects of justice, from its scriptural foundations and church teachings, considerations of development in history, peace and war and the environment, and the issues of refugees and asylum seekers.**

The main speakers are Father Frank Turner SJ, a former advisor on international affairs to the Catholic Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales who is now the British Jesuits’ delegate for the intellectual apostolate, author and former Ampleforth teacher Lucy Beckett and Dr Theo Hawksley CJ, a religious sister of the Congregation of Jesus who recently returned to the UK from Guyana.

There will also be talks from representatives of two charities that work for justice, the Medaille Trust, which supports victims of trafficking and modern slavery, and Justice First, which helps refugees and asylum seekers in the North East.

This rich programme is being held in the easily accessible but tranquil surroundings of the Bar Convent, where the informative talks, lively discussion, prayer and companionship will make it a weekend to remember.

The event takes place on Saturday July 14 and Sunday July 15 as one of the Jesuit-inspired “Living Theology” courses being held across the country. The cost for the

weekend is £60 (students £30), which includes lunches and refreshments. Attendance for just one of the days is half price. All are welcome but booking before June 30 is essential.

Up to 20 guest bedrooms are available in the Bar Convent Guest House and breakfasts are served in the café. Accommodation must be booked separately. Please book early by

calling 01904 643238, quoting “Living Theology weekend”. Rooms are only being ‘held’ for this event until the end of April.

For more details visit [jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2018](http://jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2018), email Brenda on [fazikasbrenda@btinternet.com](mailto:fazikasbrenda@btinternet.com) or phone Patricia on 01642 645732.

Patricia Egerton

## Catholic Social Teaching Expert Is Guest Speaker

**We are delighted to welcome Dr Anna Rowlands as guest speaker at this year’s Anthony Storey Memorial Lecture.**

Anna is St Hilda associate professor of Catholic Social Thought and Practice at the University of Durham and founding chair of the Centre for Catholic Social Thought and Practice.

A political theologian and expert on Catholic Social Teaching, she has worked on theology and migration for more than a decade and is committed to working in partnership with Catholic faith-based organisations that are influencing the next generation of social practice.

Her work is rooted in the practice of faith, not just the study of faith, and is concerned with how communities are working this out in their lives. She is passionate about Catholic Social Teaching and sees it as a gift to all people of goodwill.

The talk takes place at 11am on Saturday May 12 in Staff House, University of Hull. Tea and coffee will be available from 10.30am.

Barbara Hungin, Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission

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NEWS

# What The Eucharist Means To Me

As we continue preparations for Adoremus, the National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool on the weekend of September 7 to 9, we've been asking people in the diocese what role the Eucharist plays in their lives. In the latest part of this regular series, we look at the centrality of the Eucharist in the lives of two teachers. If you would like to contribute your own short reflection, please email it together with a photograph to catholicvoice@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk.



## MOVING REVERENCE OF CHINESE CATHOLICS



Katherine in China with a little boy called Fu Kuan, or his English name, Nicholas. He has a serious heart condition but is still going strong today

*"Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord"*

My most memorable experiences of the Eucharist come from the time when I was living in China. I worked for an American couple who ran a network of orphanages while raising their own family of six children. They and many of their Chinese co-workers were Catholic and their parish priest (the closest parish was a two-hour drive away) allowed them to have the Blessed Sacrament. An old office had been converted into a chapel with a beautiful handmade wooden tabernacle containing a pyx and the smallest monstrance I've ever seen.

The Catholic workers would gather there for the morning and evening office, a weekly recitation of the rosary and twice-weekly

adoration. The law in China states that there can be no religious gathering of more than ten people without the authorities being informed, so we had to arrive and leave from the building very discreetly – no large groups.

The chapel was very simple; the altar and the tabernacle, but no pews or chairs. When the Blessed Sacrament was exposed we would kneel or sit on the floor for an hour. At the moments of Exposition and Reposition the Chinese Catholics would kneel and bow their foreheads to the floor. There was a growing movement of praise and worship in China at that time and, over the course of the year, we learned several praise songs in Chinese and would sing them, very quietly so the neighbours wouldn't hear, to the Blessed Sacrament.

During the year we made great fundraising efforts overseas to take the Chinese workers, most of whom were under 30, to World Youth Day in Sydney. It was an enormous challenge to raise the money and obtain passports and visas without the authorities discovering the trip was of a religious nature.

On the day of departure, we arrived at the airport separately and sat in the departure lounge carefully not speaking to each other. Only once we were on the plane and in the air did we all give a cheer and rejoice that we were on the way to answer Pope Benedict's invitation.

Our chaplain – a Polish priest – proudly donned a jacket emblazoned with the words "Oblate Missionary of Mary Immaculate" as soon as he arrived in Australia. There are so

many memories of that trip. I remember one Chinese girl with tears in her eyes at the subway station at the sight of the police, who were supervising pilgrims onto the train for safety purposes. She was astonished that the police would help people to get to a church event and at the level of religious freedom.

Most of all I remember the evening prayer vigil led by the pope himself – the moment

when he invited half a million young people to kneel before the Blessed Sacrament and, like a Mexican wave, they all fell to their knees. Except for the Chinese pilgrims, who solemnly knelt down and then bowed their foreheads to the ground.

**Katherine Griffin, head of RE at St Augustine's Secondary School, Scarborough**

## ALL THAT I NEED

**The Eucharist is at times for me, quite deceiving. It feels, looks and tastes so simple, and yet I know that here is God. Even when I approach the altar to receive the Eucharist, and I tell myself that it is Jesus Christ here waiting for me, it is difficult to understand that and it is equally difficult to glean all that I should from it.**

This is because the Eucharist offers no sensual gratification and in itself it offers no indication of being Christ. And yet because Jesus has told us that it is himself, I know that it is true. In the words of a well-known hymn, "Truth himself speaks truly, or there's nothing true."

Therefore, I can say with certainty that God, in the Eucharist does two things for me. First of all, he teaches me. If God, the fountain of all goodness and creator of all things, abides in such a humble setting, then how humble do I need to be for God to abide in me and live through me?

Secondly, he provides for me. Whether in adoration or communion, God provides me with all the grace I need to live as the person he wants me to be. Even when I am (too often) distracted by a busy mind or not



Anthony with young people from the Scarborough Parishes, where he was youth worker in 2015-16

praying well, he offers me all I need, within the size of a small piece of bread.

In one of the Gospel readings during Lent (Mark 1:29-39) we heard that Jesus, having healed many people of different illnesses, went away to a quiet place. Despite his intentions, "everybody" went to look for him. Today, everybody continues to look for Christ's healing and wholeness. Unfortunately, many people look for these things in the wrong places. I am grateful to know the quiet place where Christ is now, and that is in my local parish church where he is waiting for us on the altar, in the Eucharist.

**Anthony Parr, from Bridlington**

## Thanks For Family Fast Day Support

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Family Fast Day appeal and to all who are organising soup lunches through the season of Lent. It's heart-warming to know there are so many people who are very generous in response to the needs of others.

Our colleague Livison Chipatiso visited Hull in February and spoke of the needs of people CAFOD are supporting in Zimbabwe. Some of his words were very disturbing to hear.

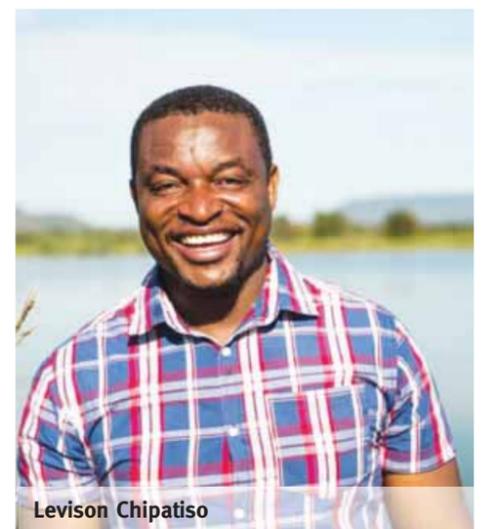
Across the world, malnutrition still kills almost three million children every year. When a child doesn't get enough good food their bodies can struggle to fight off common infections and diseases.

For children who survive malnutrition, the effects can be long-lasting. Lack of the right food can stunt growth and even if children have a good diet in later life, the effects of early malnutrition remain and many children never reach their full height potential.

The risk is particularly great in children under three, where malnutrition and stunting can cause irreversible damage not only to their physical development but also their mental development. An estimated one in nine people goes hungry every day.

Through your support, CAFOD have been able to help families' plant gardens to grow vegetables and peanuts and sesame, which provide protein to help children grow strong and develop.

Dams have been restored and with the use of solar power, pipelines can pump clean, fresh water up to 10 kilometres, meaning people living in villages around the pipeline can access the water, which is purified at source. This has all been made possible through the generosity of our supporters.



Livison Chipatiso

Marian,

whose family was the focus of our Lent appeal, has this message for you...

"I'm very grateful to CAFOD supporters for what they've done. You have been a bridge from a place of suffering to a better world. If I were to meet you, it would be such a blessing."

If you haven't managed to make a donation yet, there's still time. And don't forget, your gift can be worth twice as much as your donation will be doubled by the UK government.

You can donate online at [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent) or by calling 0303 303 3030. Thank you to all our parish priests and volunteers, whose help and support is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

**Carol Cross, Community Participation Coordinator, CAFOD Middlesbrough**

# Three Decades Of Service In York

**A much-loved priest who spent 32 years at St Paulinus in York from its foundation as a parish has died in Ireland at the age of 94.**

Father Pat Grant was born in Thurles, Co Tipperary, on November 14 1923 and attended St Patrick's Seminary in his hometown. He was ordained in June 1950 in the nearby Cathedral of the Assumption, in which he made his first confession, Holy Communion and confirmation, and where his funeral service also took place.



Father Pat in his York days

He served as curate at St Mary's in Hull and in 1951 moved to the Sacred Heart Church in the city, serving until becoming curate at Corpus Christi, Middlesbrough, in 1960.

He was appointed parish priest of St Paulinus in 1968 and remained there until he retired in 2000. After remaining in the diocese for a short time, he moved along with his long-serving housekeeper Mary Costello to her hometown, Kilkee, County Clare.

In recent years he was cared for at Kilrush Nursing Home, Co Clare, where he passed away peacefully on Friday February 23.

The principal celebrant at Father Pat's funeral on Monday February 26 was cathedral administrator Father James Purcell, with Archbishop Kieron O'Reilly of Cashel among the concelebrants. Also concelebrating was Father John McGrath, who was formerly on loan to our diocese, working in St Wilfrid's, York.

Canon Dan Spaight represented Bishop Terry, proclaiming the gospel and expressing words on behalf of the diocese at the end of Mass, in which he thanked Father Pat's family for his long years of service.

Canon Spaight, who visited Father Pat just a

couple of weeks before he died, also conducted the burial, in St Patrick's Cemetery, Thurles.

"Pat's family said he was always very attached to the cathedral and was determined to pursue his vocation to the priesthood," he said.

"He was very well liked by the people and committed to his ministry and was known as a kind man with his own special sense of humour, which people appreciated.

"He had a reputation for being very good with the first holy communion preparation children. He was also an excellent fundraiser and on one occasion the committee asked him to find a celebrity to open the garden fete and he managed to persuade the Leeds United and Ireland footballer, Johnny Giles, to come and do it!

"He was a big Leeds' fan and once tried unsuccessfully to get a ticket for a big match, so he wrote to the manager, Don Revie and received a letter back with a complimentary ticket inside it!

"He was also a keen golfer and before his retirement would play in Spain or the Algarve with a group of clergy during the winter."

Father Pat was predeceased by his sister

Kathleen and brothers John and Jimmy. He leaves sisters Mary and Josephine, sisters-in-law Claire and Babs and brother-in-law Arthur as well as nieces and nephews.

Canon Spaight and Father Pat Bluett are now the only retired priests of our diocese in Ireland after the deaths during the last year of Canon Bill Madden, Father Tom Ryan and Father Grant.



Photo courtesy of Kilrush Nursing Home

# Catholic Aristocrat Who Honoured Father Postgate

**An aristocrat who converted to Catholicism and was inspired by the life of Blessed Nicholas Postgate has died at the age of 97.**



The Hon Grania Maeve Rosaura, Dowager Marchioness of Normanby, passed away peacefully at home in Mulgrave, near Whitby, on January 15.

A Requiem Mass was celebrated at St Hedda's Church in Egton Bridge, where she had commissioned a stained-glass window in Father Postgate's honour.

Grania, a descendant of the Guinness brewing family, was the daughter of government minister Lord Moyne, who was murdered by Zionist militants known as the Stern Gang in Cairo in 1944.

The family home was at Grosvenor Place, which was bombed during the Blitz, blowing out her bedroom shutters. Grania joined the Women's Auxiliary Air Force during the war but was deeply affected by her father's death.

In 1951 she married the fourth Marquess of Normanby, the philanthropist Oswald Phipps, and moved to Mulgrave, helping restore the old castle and gardens.

Her love of local history led her to research the life of Captain James Cook, buying the house where he lived in Whitby and setting up the museum that still exists there.

She was also a magistrate in Whitby and devoted herself to charity work.

Although brought up an Anglican, she became a Catholic in the years after her husband's death in 1994.

She had seven children, including the novelist Constantine Phipps, the fifth Marquess of Normanby, as well as grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Holy Redeemer & St Thomas More Roman Catholic Church in Chelsea, London, at noon on Wednesday April 11.

# Day Of Prayer On Holy Island

**Parishioners from Middlesbrough are invited to join those from other dioceses on a Day of Pilgrimage and Prayer to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne on Saturday June 2.**

Now in its fifteenth year, the day will be a special one to pray for seafarers and for the work of Apostleship of the Sea (AoS). It will be led by Bishop Paul Mason, AoS' bishop promoter for England and Wales.

The day will start at 11am with the now traditional "Celtic Prayers on the Beach" in a tranquil setting, opposite St Cuthbert's Island. This mix of music, readings and prayer is extremely popular and sets the tone for a peaceful and reflective day.

Following this, pilgrims are free to spend time exploring the island, having lunch, visiting the churches and continuing the reflective mood established earlier. At 2pm, Mass will be celebrated at St Mary the Virgin Church. After communion, the congregation will be treated to a Scottish piper.

AoS invites families, parish groups and individuals to join them in this peaceful day of prayer and reflection to pray for seafarers and for the work of AoS. Safe crossing times on the day are from 8.55am to 4.14pm.

For further information please contact AoS port chaplain Deacon Peter Barrigan who covers the Diocese of Middlesbrough, on 07713 924 504



Bishop Paul Mason will lead the Apostleship of the Sea pilgrimage to Holy Island



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# CAFOD Invite You To Share The Journey

Close your eyes for a moment. You are at home. You can see thick smoke rising from the house across the street. People are shouting. Your neighbour's house is on fire. You escape with your family, leaving everything behind. You start a long journey to find a new home. You don't know how long you will be walking, when you will next eat or where you will rest. Alone and afraid, you need someone to talk to, a sister or brother to reach out and share the journey with you...

This was just like Dilda's journey. She fled Myanmar to escape violence in her village. "We didn't bring a thing," she says. "We just grabbed the children and ran." Dilda left behind her home, her possessions – everything – for a temporary shelter on the side of the road. Her children are scarred by what they have seen.

We cannot cross by on the other side while our neighbours are struggling. As Pope Francis says, "Christ asks us to welcome our brother and sister migrants and refugees with arms wide open."

The Church has been at the forefront of reaching out to refugees and migrants. But so far, world leaders are not meeting the challenge. Alongside Catholics around the world, we must call on them to step up.

War, persecution, natural disaster and poverty force millions of people from their homes. Most come from poor countries and seek safety in poor countries nearby. More people are on the move now than ever before. Every minute, 20 people around the world are newly displaced. Half of the world's refugees are children, and thousands take flight without the protection of parents or other family members. These are human beings, with hopes, fears, desires and stories to share, just like each one of us.

The Church worldwide is committed to sharing the journey of people on the move. This year, the Holy Father urges us to reach out to our brothers and sisters who are forced to flee their homes. "Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age," he



says.

At the start of his papacy, Pope Francis visited the island of Lampedusa, where thousands of migrants have drowned at sea. Ever since, the Holy Father has shown the Church's concern for this crisis. In 2017, he released a message to nation states, urging them to "welcome, protect, promote and integrate" migrants and refugees.

The document outlines 20 action points all governments must deliver, calling for concrete actions, such as rights for people on the move to work and support their families, and special protection for child refugees.

In September 2018, world leaders will agree two new global compacts (or agreements) at the United Nations, one on refugees and one on migration. Pope Francis has spoken of this as a "unique opportunity" for Catholics worldwide to put pressure on governments.



Share the Journey  
#sharejourney



The Vatican hopes Pope Francis' intervention will galvanise action in the same way that the encyclical *Laudato Si'* influenced the Paris climate agreement in 2015.

In response, CAFOD has launched a petition urging Britain to ensure the human dignity of migrants and refugees is at the heart of the global compacts. We would like parishes and schools to join the campaign this year, as they did with the Lampedusa Cross last year.

Inspired by the pope's special concern for migrants and refugees, we invite you to join the Share the Journey campaign by joining us on a walk around the world. Schools, parishes, and local communities including our own will be walking to show solidarity with people on the move. Together, we are aiming for 24,900 miles – the distance around the world.

Organise a parish walk in the summer – you can order or download our organiser's guide and campaign cards from our website: <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Share-the-Journey>

It doesn't have to be a marathon, you can walk a mile, to church and back one Sunday – just count the miles and add them up and let us know what you have done. If you're unable to walk you can still join in by adding your name online at [cafod.org.uk/sharethejourney](https://cafod.org.uk/sharethejourney), sending a card to our Prime Minister or by praying for refugees and migrants.

CAFOD will use this shared journey to deliver a powerful message to world leaders.

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